

EXECUTIVE BOARD

26TH JUNE, 2017

APPOINTMENT OF PROPER OFFICER

RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

- The Authority appoints the names consultants from the health authority as Proper Officers for the purposes of Health Protection legislation;

MRS HEATHER LEWIS	CONSULTANT IN HEALTH PROTECTION
MR SION LINGARD	CONSULTANT IN HEALTH PROTECTION
DR CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON	CONSULTANT IN HEALTH PROTECTION
DR RHIANWEN STIFF	CONSULTANT IN COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL
DR BRENDAN MASON	CONSULTANT IN COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL
DR GWEN LOWE	CONSULTANT IN COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL
DR GRAHAM BROWN	CONSULTANT IN COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL
DR MEIRION EVANS	CONSULTANT EPIDEMIOLOGIST
DR CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS	CONSULTANT EPIDEMIOLOGIST
DR GIRI SHAKAR	PROFESSIONAL LEAD CONSULTANT FOR HEALTH PROTECTION

- The appointments will take effect from immediate effect and will continue until;
 - the Council revokes the appointment or
 - the officer provides the Council with 3 months written notice of your resignation or
 - the officer ceases employment with the health authority

REASONS:

The Council is required to appoint 'Proper' Officers from the Health Authority (Public Health Wales) for the purposes of Public Health (Control of Disease) Act (as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2008) and Regulations made under the 1984 Act.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted : NO

Exec Board Decision Required YES – 26TH JUNE, 2017

Council Decision Required YES – 19TH JULY, 2017

Executive Board Member Portfolio Holder:

Cllr. Phillip Hughes, Public Protection Portfolio Holder

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Background

Individuals taking care of their own health is not always enough to protect the health of the population in general.

Consequently, legislation has long provided that local authorities may take certain actions or make certain requirements, to protect overall public health.

This legislation is included in the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 ('the 1984 Act') which was updated by the Health and Social Care Act 2008. The amended 1984 Act came into force on 26 July 2010.

Health Protection Regulations

Under the amended 1984 Act, Welsh Ministers have powers to make regulations to enable public bodies to respond to public health threats.

Following a consultation exercise between November 2009 and January 2010, Welsh Ministers made three sets of regulations which came into force on 26 July 2010.

The regulations are:

- The Health Protection (Notification) (Wales) Regulations 2010: These Regulations include a revised list of diseases that doctors must report to the local authority. The regulations also include new provisions for cases that may have been caused by contamination with chemicals or radiation.
- The Health Protection (Part 2A Orders) (Wales) Regulations 2010: These Regulations provide details on the evidence required before a Justice of the Peace (JP) can make an order on a person to protect public health. The Regulations also set out safeguards for people affected by an order
- The Health Protection (Local Authority Powers) (Wales) Regulations 2010: These Regulations update local authorities powers and duties relating to their health protection role.

Proper Officer

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In light of the fact that there have been recent appointments by Public Health Wales, the list of Proper Officers requires reviewing. The following is the current list of Consultants that requires appointments by the Council;

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These are honorary appointments and accordingly, no fees are payable by the Council in connection.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

NO

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Robin Staines

Head of Housing, Public Protection and Provider Services

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities NONE	Legal NONE	Finance NONE	ICT NONE	Risk Management Issues NONE	Staffing Implications NONE	Physical Assets NONE
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CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Robin Staines

Head of Housing, Public Protection and Provider Services

1. Scrutiny Committee N/A
2. Local Member(s) N/A
3. Community / Town Council N/A
4. Relevant Partners N/A
5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations N/A

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THERE ARE NONE